

**State Education and Training  
January 21, 2014**

**Present:** Kevin Brown, Nancy Brunet, David Burich, Ralf Coler, Skip Gelati, Alan Henschke, Donna Lillis, Rick Ortyl, Art Romano, Richard Sanders, Chris Stone, David Tauber

**Excused:** Blair Blamforth, Joshua Beaulieu, Chet Sergey, Daniel Tauber

**Guests:** none

Meeting called to order at 0935

November minutes approved without changes: passed unanimously

***OEMS Update***

no report – Mr. Bailey not in attendance

***Old Business***

**CSEMS-I:** March 22<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting and half-day conference

**CEMSAB:** PSA task force  
NHTSA – specific areas to be assigned to ad hoc groups  
Education & Training will be working collaboratively with  
Education and Legislation  
Sections 3.1 and 3.2 relevant to Education and Training  
Will add as agenda item next month

**CEMSMAC:** recommending less science in SMR program  
CCR implementation  
Statewide guidelines working committee

**Transition Materials for Teaching:** final component – recertification exam  
Trial phase completed – company will analyze data  
and make recommendation for new exam  
Roll-out date not yet established

Transition materials for all levels of certification are  
out and available.

New T-1 documents tied to transition content

Distance learning component available as alternate  
to classroom content

Minimum established hours not sufficient based on  
people who have completed courses

**PTPC:** met in November – Eric Bennet new chairperson  
Will now meet quarterly – looking for alternatives to face-to-face meetings

**Regulations Review:** still in lawyer review stage

AEMT level removal has been transitioned to legislation rather than OEMS initiative

**Spinal Motion Restriction Guidelines:** working hour discussion

***New Business***

PSA Task Force recommendations due to Commissioner by February 1<sup>st</sup>; due to legislators by February 15<sup>th</sup>  
CEMSAB – has made statement towards initiative

Ms. Coler will resend CEMSAB letter to committee for review

CCR Guideline still evolving on state and regional levels

Nominations: nominations made in November to maintain current Chair and Vice-chair  
Ms. Coler requested any additional nominations from floor; none received  
Motion to close nominations Mr Gelati; seconded Mr. Sanders  
No discussion  
Unanimous support for re-election of Ms. Coler and Ms. Brunet as Chair and Vice-chair for the 2014 year

Goals for 2014 complete SMR guidelines  
DNR initiatives (will be back in legislative agenda)  
CCR guidelines  
Mobile Integrated Healthcare – will need curriculum to guide development of advanced provider level

End of Year Report for 2013: looking for each topic lead to send update / summary Document  
Ms. Coler will collate for submission to CEMSAB

***Chair's Report***

Advisory Board evaluating ability to change their meeting date to later in month to facilitate all sub-committee meeting progress to be incorporated into discussion

***Info Sharing***

Course update posted on CORC website  
Trauma Conference – March 27 & 28 at Foxwood  
CT EMS Expo – May 29-31 at Mohegan Sun  
TCCC Course – February 28 & March 1 at NHSH

All emails at New Haven Sponsor Hospital will change to first name.last name @ynhh.org

***Working Meeting Hour***

**Spinal Motion Restriction Guidelines:**

Once complete, this will be a statewide guideline, not a specific medical control option  
Need to get program completed to send to CEMSMAC for final approval by next month

Can be utilized as 3 hour CME or as part of refresher program

Mr. Henschke has collated feedback from E&T and CEMSMAC to edit program  
Science will be pulled out and put into white paper that CEMSMAC will make available  
Additional studies on log-roll technique and vacuum splints have been referenced  
Videos from Alameda County have been modified to universal playing format

Need to reformat Goals and Objectives (Ms. Coler and Ms. Brunet)

Need to modify program to meet Goals and Objectives

Program has been piloted in multiple regions

Feedback universally indicates length of program is too intensive; case studies have been well received

Question if some of the A&P, mechanisms of injury, and specific injuries can be removed as slides and put into notes section

Mr. Stone suggests developing module based format that can be modified based on target group  
Presentation is intended for refresher training. Initial courses are still required to teach nation module which includes spinal immobilization

Review of current slides:

Goals and objectives slides can be condensed to meet program

Slide 9 – 12: the old way and new way

Can pare down to compare and contrast one slide

Slides 23 – 34: can eliminate majority of A&P and two videos

Suggestions:

Break out all of A&P as optional module

Case studies can be used one or the other or presented in skills station format

Can break out injury types as separate module

Special considerations – needs to be maintained since it follows patient care guidelines

Each break-out module will contain relevant goals and objectives

Focus on “why are we changing this” rather than weighty foundational content

Add frequently asked question at end: “will I get sued” and address medical oversight and standard of care

Complete and partial cord syndromes can be condensed based on target audience

Ms. Coler, Ms. Brunet and Mr. Henschke will work on final update of presentation, goals and objectives for CEMSMAC calendar on February 13<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting adjourned at 11:32

Next meeting: February 18 at CHA